HSCA Advisory Committee

DNREC's New Castle Field Office 391 Lukens Drive New Castle, Delaware Sept. 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Jess Anderson, Michael Baker Matt Brainard, BrightFields Walt Bryan, Bryan Patty Cannon, DEDO Marianne Ceniglia, DESI Todd Coomes, on phone Gregg Crystall, BrightFields Angelo Fatiga, Pennoni Simeon Hahn, NOAA Stephanie Hansen, YCST Robert Hilliard, Lewis James Malsdele, KCI Paul Martino, Pennoni Jason McNew, EA Matt Sarver, Sarver Ecological Doug Seavey, Landmark-SE Chris Whallon, Duffield Marian Young, BrightFields

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Marj Crofts
Greg DeCowsky
Kate Durant
Barb Fawcett
Stephen Johnson
Melissa Leckie
Tim Ratsep
Alex Rittberg
Qazi Salahuddin
Paul Will

DOJ

Keith Brady

Introductions and Opening Remarks – Tim Ratsep welcomed old and new members. **Approval of June 2, 2016 Meeting Minutes** – The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

DNREC News – Marjorie Crofts reviewed DNREC in-house information and details, as well as mentioned that the TMS and HSCA legislation were now part of the code. The AST bill, signed into law on July 13, includes revised definitions of an In-Service and Out-of-Service AST and a new definition of Indicated Release and Imminent Threat of Release, as well as other changes. The HSCA bill, signed into law on Aug. 3, changed the Brownfield definition, and also allows DNREC to issue a COCR without a request, and DNREC to issue HSCA loans.

Updates for TMS – Alex gave an update on new staff members, UST Home Heating Oil Funds, CO issues for boiler safety, UST Advisory Committee meetings, and upcoming AST regulations. **Updates for SIRS** – Tim gave an update on staff retirements and new staff. Tim also discussed projected HSCA revenue for the year and where SIRS is making budgetary cuts. He also asked for presentation recommendations for the December meeting.

Maximizing Ecological Benefits of Brownfield Restoration – Matt Sarver gave a presentation on ways to increase habitat for pollinators on Brownfield sites.

Health of HSCA Presentation – Tim presented information on the health of the HSCA fund.

Brownfield Subcommittee Reports:

Ecological Revitalization & Green Restoration Group – Greg DeCowsky

Discussed the group visit to Mt. Cuba, and the importance for stormwater management and planting to go hand in hand. Mentioned the Kalmar Nyckel ribbon cutting and announced Kate Durant as the new Co-Chair.

Technical Subcommittee - Qazi Salahuddin

Provided an overview of the two meetings that had been held. Consultants have brought up issues and the group was able to have good discussions.

Finance Subcommittee – Tim Ratsep for Jim Poling

Discussed possible legislation regarding the Brownfield tax credit.

Regulatory Subcommittee (changes to Chapters 62, 74, 74A & 91) – Tim Ratsep & Alex Rittberg

Alex discussed the changes to the AST regulations in more detail.

There will be a new application for Brownfields (updated soon).

Outreach & Education Subcommittee (Christina Wirtz)

Postponed until the December meeting

New Business/Public Comments – None

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be held Dec. 1, 2016 from 9:00-12:30 at:

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